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SENATE BILL 5708

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By Senators Heavey, McCaslin, Bauer, Haugen, Winsley, Palmer and Roach Read first time 02/01/95. Referred to Committee on Government Operations.

- AN ACT Relating to increasing to five years the time after a
- 2 preliminary plat is approved before a final plat must be submitted for
- 3 approval; and amending RCW 58.17.140.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 5 **Sec. 1.** RCW 58.17.140 and 1986 c 233 s 2 are each amended to read 6 as follows:
- 7 Preliminary plats of any proposed subdivision and dedication shall
- 8 be approved, disapproved, or returned to the applicant for modification
- 9 or correction within ninety days from date of filing thereof unless the
- 10 applicant consents to an extension of such time period or the ninety
- 11 day limitation is extended to include up to twenty-one days as
- 12 specified under RCW 58.17.095(3): PROVIDED, That if an environmental
- 13 impact statement is required as provided in RCW 43.21C.030, the ninety
- 14 day period shall not include the time spent preparing and circulating
- 15 the environmental impact statement by the local government agency.
- 16 Final plats and short plats shall be approved, disapproved, or returned
- 17 to the applicant within thirty days from the date of filing thereof,
- 18 unless the applicant consents to an extension of such time period. A
- 19 final plat meeting all requirements of this chapter shall be submitted

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to the legislative body of the city, town, or county for approval within ((three)) five years of the date of preliminary plat approval((÷ 2 PROVIDED, That this three-year time period shall retroactively apply to 3 4 any preliminary plat pending before a city, town, or county as of July 24, 1983, where the authority to proceed with the filing of a final 5 plat has not lapsed under an applicable city, town, or county ordinance 6 7 containing a shorter time period that was in effect when the 8 preliminary plat was approved. An applicant who files a written 9 request with the legislative body of the city, town, or county at least thirty days before the expiration of this three-year period shall be 10 granted one one-year extension upon a showing that the applicant has 11 attempted in good faith to submit the final plat within the three-year 12 period)). Nothing contained in this section shall act to prevent any 13 city, town, or county from adopting by ordinance procedures which would 14 15 allow ((other)) extensions of time that may or may not contain 16 additional or altered conditions and requirements.

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